CASE: 0969

=== NEGOTIATION ACTIONS ===

20 September 1989

A CASE NARRATIVE PERTAINING TO ALL INDIVIDUALS WAS PASSED BY JCRC TO THE VNOSMP DURING THE 28 - 30 AUGUST 1989 TECHNICAL MEETING IN HANOI.

=== ASSOCIATED INDIVIDUALS ===

13 August 1975

ASSOCIATED INDIVIDUALS: JAMES C. HARTNEY 0969-1-01, AND SAMUEL FANTLE III 0969-1-02.

=== REPATRIATION ACTIONS OR STATUS CHANGES ===

21 November 1989

ON 21 JUNE 1989, THE SRV REPATRIATED UNIDENTIFIED REMAINS IN BOX # 6. ON 17 NOVEMBER 1989 THE ARMED FORCES IDENTIFICATION REVIEW BOARD APPROVED THE IDENTIFICATION OF THE REMAINS AS COL JAMES C. HARTNEY (0969-01). (REF 3)

•20 December 1989

ON 30 SEPTEMBER 1977, THE SRV REPATRIATED THE ALLEGED REMAINS OF SAMUEL FANTLE, III. ON 25 OCTOBER 1977, THE ARMED FORCES IDENTIFICATION REVIEW BOARD APPROVED THE IDENTIFICATION OF THE REMAINS AS CPT SAMUEL FANTLE III. (REF 4)

=== ARCHIVAL RESEARCH INFORMATION ===

2 February 1994

ON 31 MAY 93, THE VIETNAMESE PROVIDED A DOCUMENT TITLED "MAP DEPICTING U.S. AIRCRAFT SHOT DOWN IN BAC THAI PROVINCE." A CRASH SITE DEPICTED ON THIS DOCUMENT PROBABLY CORRELATES TO REFNO 0969-1-02, BASED ON NAME, RANK, SERVICE NUMBER, DATE OF INCIDENT, LOCATION OF INCIDENT, AND TYPE OF AIRCRAFT. (REF 5)

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BIOGRAPHIC/SITE REPORT AS OF 20 OCTOBER 1993

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BIOGRAPHIC/SITE REPORT AS OF 20 OCTOBER 1993

REFNO: 0973-0-02 (ACCNO 5757) Name: STONE, JAMES MARVIN Status: (8) DEAD BODY NOT RECOVERED Date Status assigned: 15 Mar 1968						
Nationality AMERICAN Service ARMY Grade 02 SSAN 0473 Serial No 05329842 Birth date 15 Jun 1938 Home State FLORIDA	Race CAUCASIAN Sex MALE Hair BLACK Eyes BLUE Height 72 in /1.83 mtrs Weight 175 lb / 79.3 kg Religion PROTESTANT Blood Chit \$ Blood type A # Complexion # Weapon Weapon No # Duty pos CO, CO.C PW Camp \$					
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INCID	ENT LOCATION (0)					
Site Type: GROUND SITE UTM: 49PBT032353 Lat/Long: 154047N / 1081351E Country: SOUTH VIETNAM Military Region: 1 Mission Province: QUANG NAM-DA NANG (formerly): QUANG NAM Mission District: QUE SON Mission Date: 7 Jan 1968 Mission Category: 3 Local Analysis: Unknown location.						
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Folders Passed: Jul 93, Dec 92 Investigations: Aug 93 Surveys: Aug 93 Vessey Case: NO Case type: GROUND SITE						
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Vehicle Type: GRN Crash Type: Non Call Sign: \$ Year: \$						
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CASE: 0973

=== CIRCUMSTANCES OF LOSS ===

13 August 1975

ON 7 JANUARY 1968 PFC ROBERT S. TRUJILLO, RIFLEMAN, AND 1LT JAMES M. STONE, COMPANY COMMANDER, WERE ON A COMBAT OPERATION IN SOUTH VIETNAM. DURING A FIREFIGHT WITH A SUPERIOR ENEMY FORCE IN THE VICINITY OF GRID COORDINATES (GC) BT 032 353, THEIR BATTALION WAS FORCED FROM ITS POSITION; THE UNIT BEGAN A BREAK-OUT MANEUVER. MEMBERS OF PFC TRUJILLO'S PLATOON SAW HIM STAND UP AND START TO ADVANCE WITH THE ARMORED PERSONNEL CARRIERS (APC'S) THAT WERE ATTACHED TO HIS UNIT. THAT WAS THE LAST TIME HE WAS SEEN. HE WAS NOT WOUNDED AT THAT TIME. (REF 1)

IN THE SAME ACTION 1LT STONE WAS ACCOMPANIED BY MEMBERS OF HIS COMPANY AS THEY EXECUTED THE BREAK-OUT MANEUVER. WHILE MAKING THEIR WAY DOWN A HILL WITH THE APC'S, THE SMALL GROUP ENCOUNTERED AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE AND WERE FORCED TO TAKE COVER. WHEN THE FIRING STOPPED, ONE OF THE MEN NOTICED THAT 1LT STONE HAD HIS BLOOD-STAINED HANDS OVER HIS FACE. A MEDIC CHECKED HIM AND STATED THAT THERE WERE NO VITAL SIGNS. A SEARCH OF THE AREA WAS CONDUCTED ON 8 JAN 68 AND AGAIN ON 16 JAN 68, BUT NEITHER SEARCH REVEALED ANY INFORMATION ABOUT TRUJILLO. (REF 1)

DURING THE EXISTENCE OF JCRC, THE HOSITLE THREAT IN THE AREA PRECLUDED ANY VISITS TO OR GROUND INSPECTIONS OF THE SITES INVOLVED IN THIS CASE. THESE INDIVIDUALS' NAMES AND IDENTIFYING DATA WERE TURNED OVER TO FOUR-PARTY JOINT MILITARY TEAM WITH A REQUEST FOR ANY INFORMATION AVAILABLE. NO RESPONSE WAS FORTHCOMING. 1LT STONE AND PFC TRUJILLO ARE CURRENTLY CARRIED IN THE PRESUMPTIVE STATUS OF DEAD, BODY NOT RECOVERED.

=== SUBSEQUENT INFORMATION ===

18 April 1986

SOURCE REPORTS THIRD HAND HEARSAY INFORMATION ON THE ALLEGED RECOVERY OF U.S. REMAINS AT QUE SON (BT 040 347), QUANG NAM-DANANG PROVINCE. THIS POSSIBLY CORRELATES TO PFC TRUJILLO OR 1LT STONE. (REF 2)

=== REFERENCES ===

18 April 1986

REFERENCES: <1> RPT , HQ 2BN, 12CAV, 1CAV DIV, 9 FEB 68. <2> REFCON , 85-015, 29 APR 85. <3> 240457Z SEP 93 CJTFFA DET ONE BANGKOK TH. <4> 240457Z SEP 93 CJTFFA DET ONE BANGKOK TH.

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=== NEGOTIATION ACTIONS ===

18 December 1992

A CASE NARRATIVE ON CASE 0973 WAS PASSED TO THE VIETNAMESE DURING THE 10-11 DECEMBER 1992 TECHNICAL MEETING IN HANOI.

20 August 1993

CASE NARRATIVE WAS PASSED TO REPRESENTATIVES OF THE VIETNAMESE GOVERNMENT DURING THE 28 JUL 1993 POW/MIA TECHNICAL MEETING IN HANOI.

=== ASSOCIATED INDIVIDUALS ===

13 August 1975

ASSOCIATED INDIVIDUALS: ROBERT S. TRUJILLO 0973-0-01, AND JAMES M. STONE 0973-0-02.

=== MAJOR COORDINATE CHANGE ===

4 August 1975

BURIAL SITE COORDINATES OF BT 023 360 FOR REFNO'S 0973-0-01 AND 0973-0-02 ENTERED BASED ON VS-1-006-74, JCRC-LNS, ADO MR-1, DATED 6 JULY 1974.

=== JOINT INVESTIGATION, SURVEY OR EXCAVATION ===

8 October 1993

ON 24 AUG 93, IE3 TRAVELLED TO DONG PHU MARKET TOWN, QUE SON DISTRICT, QUANG NAM-DA NANG PROVINCE TO INVESTIGATE CASE 0973. THE TEAM INTERVIEWED TWO WITNESSES, ONE OF WHOM CLAIMED FIRST HAND KNOWLEDGE OF A BURIAL SITE OF A U.S. SOLDIER. A SEARCH OF THIS ALLEGED SITE YIELDED NEGATIVE RESULTS. THE WITNESS POINTED OUT AN EXACT LOCATION OF THE BURIAL SITE ON TOP OF A ROCK AND STATED THAT THE GRAVE HAD WASHED AWAY DUE TO FLOODING. A TEST PIT COULD NOT BE DUG. THE WITNESS STATED THAT THE AREA DURING THE RAINY SEASON IS FLOODED BY 5 METERS OF WATER. THE TEAM ALSO SEARCHED THE INCIDENT LOCATION AND POSSIBLE BURIAL LOCATION CONTAINED IN U.S. RECORDS WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. VILLAGERS SURROUNDING ALL THREE AREAS WERE QUESTIONED TO LOCATE ADDITIONAL WITNESSES OR INFORMATION. THE VILLAGERS IN THESE AREAS CLAIMED TO HAVE NO KNOWLEDGE OF THE INCIDENT, REMAINS, BURIAL SITES OR CAPTURE OF ANY SERVICE MEMBERS. NO INFORMATION ON THE SECOND SERVICE MEMBER INVOLVED IN THIS CASE WAS FOUND. NO REMAINS WERE FOUND DURING THE INVESTIGATION. (REF 3)

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=== JOINT INVESTIGATION, SURVEY OR EXCAVATION ===

8 October 1993

ON 08 SEP 93, IE3 TRAVELLED TO DIEN BAN DISTRICT, QUANG NAM-DA NANG PROVINCE TO INVESTIGATE CASE 0977. THE TEAM REQUESTED TO TALK TO TWO INDIVIDUALS THAT HAD BEEN IDENTIFIED DURING THE 23RD JFA. HOWEVER, ONLY ONE OF THE TWO WITNESSES COULD BE LOCATED. THE TEAM INTERVIEWED ONE WITNESS WITH HEARSAY INFORMATION PERTAINING TO CASE 0977. THE WITNESS WAS UNABLE TO IDENTIFY A SPECIFIC BURIAL SITE WITHIN THE 30 X 40 METER AREA IDENTIFIED DURING PREVIOUS INVESTIGATIONS. THE TEAM SEARCHED THE INCIDENT LOCATION MAINTAINED IN U.S. RECORDS AND FOUND NO EVIDENCE OF REMAINS, PERSONAL EFFECTS OR EQUIPMENT. (REF 4)

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CASE 0973-0-01 AND 02

NARRATIVE

ON 7 JANUARY 1968, FIRST LIEUTENANT JAMES M. STONE AND PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ROBERT S. TRUJILLO WERE ON A COMBAT OPERATION WHEN THEIR UNIT ENGAGED A LARGE HOSTILE FORCE NEAR QUE SON IN THE VICINITY OF GRID COORDINATES BT032353, APPROXIMATELY 45 KILOMETERS SOUTH OF DA NANG, QUANG NAM-DA NANG PROVINCE. DURING THE FIREFIGHT, LIEUTENANT STONE WAS MORTALLY WOUNDED AND PRIVATE TRUJILLO WAS REPORTED MISSING. THE FOLLOWING DAY, U.S. FORCES CONDUCTED A SEARCH OF THE BATTLEFIELD BUT DID NOT LOCATE LIEUTENANT STONE OR PRIVATE TRUJILLO.

PERTINENT DATA ARE AS FOLLOWS:

NAME: STONE, JAMES MARVIN

RANK: FIRST LIEUTENANT, U.S. ARMY

DATE OF BIRTH: 15 JUNE 1938

RACE: CAUCASIAN

HEIGHT: 1.83 METERS

WEIGHT: 79.3 KILOGRAMS

HAIR: BLACK

EYES: BLUE

NAME: TRUJILLO, ROBERT STEVEN

RANK: PRIVATE FIRST CLASS, U.S. ARMY

DATE OF BIRTH: 3 AUGUST 1946

RACE: CAUCASIAN

Passed to officials of the Vietnamese government during a 28 Jul 93 technical meeting

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HEIGHT: 1.70 METERS

WEIGHT: 63.9 KILOGRAMS

.HATR: BROWN

EYES: BROWN